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1. The existence of a German firm Rex-Werke near Merseburg (M 52/D 91) is unknown. There is a firm known as Blanke Metallwerke (Metal Works) at 1-9 August Bebelstrasse. This firm smelted parts of old aircraft, which were then cast and rolled into ingots. The plant is being slightly enlarged, and it is rumored among the workers of this plant that a regular production will be started in the future. Details on the nature of this production are not known.

25X1 2. [redacted] observed the Blanke Metallwerke and truck traffic at Merseburg airfield for some time, stated that aircraft jet engines are neither being manufactured nor repaired at the Blanke firm. It could not be ascertained whether this firm is identical with the former Rex-Werke firm.

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